

The free-market, worker rights organization presents the award to members of the U.S. Congress who vote in favor of worker’s rights, and free and open labor markets on a majority of the national policy issues tracked by AWF.

For the 1st session of this 110th Congress, the “Guardian of Worker Freedom” award was given to Representatives who voted for freedom and opportunity for workers against special interest and regulatory control. The restoring of funding to the Office of Labor Management Standards, opposing a forced and mandated minimum wage, striking forced TSA union provisions and voting against cloture on the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA), were all tracked in this 1st Congressional session.

“By voting in favor of workers rights and freedoms, and against the corrupt agenda of Big Labor and an ever-expanding regulatory regime, these Representatives deserve to be honored for siding with the rank-and-file American worker,” said AWF Executive Director Brian M. Johnson.

126 members of the U.S. House of Representatives and 30 U.S. Senators were presented with the “Guardian of Worker Freedom” award for their courageous votes on behalf of American workers.

“Rep. Bilirakis clearly knows the difference between being pro-worker freedom or a unionpuppet,” continued Johnson. “When it comes to keeping American workers and our economy competitive, Rep. Bilirakis is a tremendous advocate for a twenty-first century workforce.”